SUBJECTS.

extension of the caul are under the consideration of Government.

105. Settlement assessment.

Mr. Easwaran Tampi said that the tax on lands in the Colachal Adhigarom was fixed at the recent settlement in contravention of Royal *Neets* and precedents and he requested that the unauthorised enhancements be reduced. The member said that he could bring the *Neet* on which he relied in making the representation.

Dewan's reply.—In regard to all settlement matters, the parties aggrieved must prefer appeals in accordance with the rules laid down for their guidance. As, however, the member says that the *Neet* has not been followed in assessing the tax on the lands in question, and as he undertakes to produce the original *Neet*, I would ask the member to see the Settlement Dewan Peishkar with the *Neet* and to represent his case to him. If it is found that the claim for a reduction of tax is a reasonable one, Government will enquire into the matter and dispose of it. But I must say at once that a place like this is not the proper place for going into questions of this kind.

106. Anchal office at Tiruvancode.

Mr. Ghulamytheen Pillai requested that the village anchal office at Tiruvancode be raised to a delivery office.

Dewan's reply.—The request made by the member is under enquiry.

KALKULAM TALUK.

107. Enquiry into diseases at Padmanabhapuram.

Mr. P. S. Maruthanayagom Pillai requested that an expert be appointed to enquire into the causes of the prevalence of malarial fever, diarrhœa, &c., within the fort at Padmanabhapuram, and to suggest remedial measures for adoption by Government.

Dewan's reply.—The Sanitary Commissioner will be asked to enquire into the causes of the diseases now said to prevail.

VILAVANKOD TALUK.

108. Maintenance of irrigation works.

Mr. M. Narayana Kurup said that there were over 500 rain-fed tanks used for irrigation purposes and requested that they be properly maintained.

Dewan's reply.—The suggestion of the member is noted.

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